1	2	3	4
7.	Sikkim	0.06	4.10
8.	Tripura	0.05	0.35

ARIs in Rajasthan

2939. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the proposals under Government's consideration to set up new rural agro based industries in the backward districts of Rajasthan;

(b) the location of such industries and the financial allocations made for such industries during the Tenth Five Year Plan period; and

(c) by when such industries would be functional?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI SANGH PRIYA GAUTAM): (a) to (c) The Government promotes setting up of new rural agro based industries in the country including Rajasthan under the Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP) implemented by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC). The proposal for setting up such units are examined by the Commercial Banks which provide loan for the projects and the margin money assistance is released by KVIC. Projects which fulfill the criteria of 'village industries' as per the KVIC Act are eligible for assistance under REGP. The location of such industries is decided by the entrepreneur himself depending on the nature and viability of the project. It is estiamted that for the targeted number of 2098 such industries in the State in the Tenth Plan Period, a sum of Rs. 52 crores would be required by way of loans from Commercial Bank and a sum of Rs. 13 crores as margin money. The gestation period for a project would very according to its nature and location.

PMRY In Rajasthan

2940. DR. ABRAR AHMED: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the targets set to generate employment opportunities under